



Kentucky School for the Deaf

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FEATURE

First Day of School 2016



Welcome back students, staff and families to KSD for the 2016-17 school year. We have had a great start back to the school year. Students came back to school this year excited to see their friends and teachers. Thank you to parents and caregivers for all your support in making sure students were here with their paperwork and everything needed to start the school year off right. If you haven't had a chance to join our Facebook page, please take a moment to do that. It will be your quickest and most up-to-date method of knowing what is going on here at KSD. We also encourage you to keep communication open with school if things are happening that you are concerned about. We want to have a strong relationship as partners in ensuring your child has the best education possible. Thank you for your continuing support in making this the best school year ever!

Ramona



CHATTER!



SEPTEMBER 2016

KSD

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			1 Bacon Sandwich Macaroni Sauce Tortilla and Spanish Salad Corn Fruit Cocktail Orange Juice (100%) Milk	2 Hot Dog Casserole Corn Apples Cupcake Orange Juice (100%) Milk
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Breakfast is served with Fresh fruit, yogurt, 100% Juice, 1% White Mild, and not-fat Chocolate Milk. Extra servings: \$1.00 for Entrée, \$.50 for **Vegetables, Fruit, Juice, and Milk.**

As we all know, weather plays a huge factor in transportation to KSD. Recently we've discovered this can also affect students being fed.

Therefore, to ensure students are fed, please make sure students are fed prior to leaving home if they will arrive past one of these times.

Breakfast can be provided up until 10AM.

Lunch can be provided up until 1PM.

Dinner can be provided up until 7PM.

SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS:

Take a survey on Food Choices at <http://goo.gl/forms/6lY8mDu3xf>



**Commissioner of Education,
Stephen Pruitt**

Hanging with KSD Culinary Students! They can cook (and do selfies). @KSDsince1823



SCHOOLWIDE

Calendar of Events

- **Sept. 5, NO SCHOOL**, Labor Day.
- **Sept. 7**, Mid-term due (keep calm & study hard)
- **Sept. 12**, Community Sign Language Classes begin, see page 9 for more details.
- **Sept. 15**, School Pictures
- **Sept. 16**, Constitution Day
- **Sept. 16, 17** 5th Annual KY Volleyball Spike-Out. KSD Fall Homecoming & Parents Day.
- **Sept 18 - 23** Deaf Awareness Week
- **Oct. 7**, First Quarter Ends



Activities

Aug. 28th

6:00 – 7:30 Girls Volleyball team practice at the Gym

7:45 – 9:30 Dorm Activity at Thomas Gym

Aug. 29th

3:30 – 4:00 Academic Team practice with Coaches

3:30 – 4:00 Class of 2019 (Sophomore) Meeting

3:30 – 5:15 Girls Volleyball team practice at Gym

3:45 – 5:00 Girls/Boys Cross-Country practice

6:00 – 9:30 Dorm Activity at Outside Area / Gym

Aug. 30th Volleyball Game Day at Lexington

3:30 – 4:00 Academic Team practice

3:30 – 4:00 Class of 2020 (Freshman) Meeting

3:45 – 5:00 Girls/Boys Cross-Country teams practice

6:00 Girls Volleyball vs Sayre HS at Lexington

6:00 – 9:30 Dorm Activity at Outside Area / Gym

7:00 Girls Volleyball VS Sayre HS, Lexington

Aug. 31st Cross Country Meet at Frankfort (The State Library and Archives)

3:30 – 4:00 Academic Team practice

3:30 – 4:00 Class of 2017 (seniors) Meeting

3:30 – 5:15 Girls Volleyball team practice

5:40 KSD MS XC meet starts at the State Library and Archives in Frankfort – KSD MS XC team

6:00 – 9:30 Dorm Activity at Outside Area / Gym

6:20 KSD Boys Varsity XC meet starts at the State Library and Archives in Frankfort – KSD Boy Varsity

Thursday, Sept. 1st Volleyball Game Day at Thomas Gym

3:30 – 4:00 Academic Team practice with Coaches

3:45 – 5:00 Boys , Girls/Boys Cross-Country

6:00 pm J.V. Girls Volleyball game at Thomas Gym – KSD vs. Oneida Baptist Institute HS

7:00 pm Girls Volleyball game vs. Oneida Baptist I

Friday, Sept. 2nd

1:00 pm Students go home

CHEESE!



Thursday,

September 15, 2016

Kerr Hall

starting at 8:45

All staff are encouraged to have your picture taken

TIPS FOR PICTURE DAY:

Take care of your face the week before. Clean your face every night, and if you have a foolproof method that prevents acne for you, follow it. We're aiming for a clean, clear, beautiful face!

Plan out your outfit! Don't wake up on the morning of picture day and just grab whatever is clean! Plan a great outfit that matches your skin tone, hair color, eye color and really flatters your shape

Rehearse your pose and smile. Try to have a natural smile. Think of things that make you **really** smile e.g. your favorite joke, or something that your friend said to you that made you laugh or smile.

Get up a little early the morning of picture day. Wake up nice and early so you have plenty of time to get ready.

Take a nice shower and do your hair and makeup. Being clean will help you look and feel your best in front of the camera.

Be confident with yourself, smile and be happy



LifeTouch
SCHOOL
PORTRAITS

The Elementary Department
would like to welcome three new students to KSD:

- ◇ Francisco Alonzo-Gomez – 1st grade
- ◇ Garrett McKinney 3rd grade
- ◇ Skyler Huff – 4th grade.

We also welcome Carla Lewis as our new first grade teacher and Nancy Coomer as an instructional assistant for Mrs. Troxell's class.



The Elementary Department

Up and Coming events:

- Sept. 5, **NO SCHOOL**, Labor Day.
- Sept. 9, Reading Day
- Sept. 15, School Pictures
- Sept. 26, Rules Rule Reward Day field trip



Sara-Ann Webb

Hello, my name is Sarah-Ann Webb. This is my 16th year teaching. My husband is a 6th grade Social Studies teacher and we have two boys. I am excited to be here at KSD and learning ASL.



Kelsey Grievson

I recently just moved here from Rochester, NY. I'm a CODA with a Deaf mom and hearing dad. I graduated from SUNY Brockport with a bachelors in History and received my masters from the National Technical School for the Deaf. This is my first year as a teacher and I'm so thrilled to always be able to say it was at KSD with your amazing children!



Deanna Glasser

My only sibling went to IL school for the Deaf. My first teaching experiences were at ISD. I have been a teacher and consultant in the field of deaf education for over 25 years. I worked 21 years in the Nashville, TN area. Most recently, I taught at America School for the Deaf in CT. We moved to Danville so I that I have my "dream job" at KSD. I've been married to Jim for 26 years. He is a robotics and control systems engineer. We have two daughters, Paige (age 16) and Neve (age 11); two rescued border collie mixes, Sport and Eve; a kitten, Ophelia; a bearded dragon and 2 African dwarf frogs. I love acting and attending theatre, doing yoga, reading, hiking, riding my elyptigo and cooking for family and friends

New Faces In The Classroom



Carla Lewis

My name is Carla Lewis and I have been a tdhh for 23 years in the Clay County Public School District. I have two sons, Cam and Corey who are both in college at this time. I love my new job here at KSD working as the first grade teacher. Thanks to everyone for making me feel welcome!

Middle School Scoop



THIS WEEK:

Families are welcome to join the KY Adapt Fun Walk/5K at Millennium Park (in Danville) this Sunday at 2:00pm. Students are bringing home a flyer.

The volleyball team had their first game this week. Even though we lost, it was a good game.

Kentucky Kingdom is having a Deaf Day on September 4. Students are bringing home a flyer.

Put Deaf Festival in Louisville on your calendar for September 3. More information at www.deafestival.org

Students at a great time on their Field trips today!

Cool Compliments drawn this Friday belonged to _____ & _____; Congratulations!

Reminders:

Students may bring water to class, in a clear container that has a lid.

The luggage given out at registration looks like a backpack. Unfortunately, they do not fit well in the lockers. Please send your child with a standard size backpack. Thank you!

We still need a few Reward Field Trip permission slips.

Students going swimming on Aug 26 need a towel, swimsuit, sunblock, etc.

We encourage everyone to show school spirit on Fridays by wearing KSD T-shirts.



News you can Use!

KSD Main Switchboard:

859-239-7017

During day time—if no one answers at Main Switchboard, please call or email us:

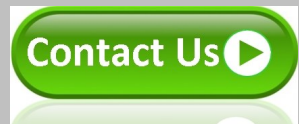
Leslie Jones: 859-936-6801

leslie.jones@ksd.kyschools.us

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CREATION MUSEUM DEAF DAY

Interpreters, captioning, and more!



Saturday Oct. 15, 2016

This yearly event features Deaf volunteers and ASL interpreters providing live interpretation of presentations such as *The Last Adam*. Hearing guests are also invited, of course, and we expect you will enjoy watching the expressive communication of American Sign Language during the shows and throughout <http://creationmuseum.org/events/programs/deaf-day/>

*High School and
Career & Technical Education*

- ⇒ Two HS students worked the KDE table for KSD day at the State Fair this past Tuesday.
- ⇒ The first Friday of school was Rules Rule day where students were able to go over school rules, code of conduct, technology use, and bullying issues. At the end of rotations there was a game and the HS teams were divided by classes. This Friday is the rewards day. The Senior class won the challenge game and got first pick for their reward. They picked swimming.
- ⇒ Senior Class officers (class of 2017): Al-lanah—President, Alexa—Vice President, Nia—Secretary, Caleb—treasurer

KSD Garden 2016



Be sure to watch the Moring Announcements, posted on the KSD website and Facebook.



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Zoe and Alexa worked the KDE table for KSD at the KY State Fair



ABSENCES

In the event that your child is absent,
parents MUST call 859-936-6680 or 859-936-6681
to report the absence to school.

A written excuse for absence is required upon returning to
school for the absence to be considered EXCUSED.

After 3 consecutive days,
a doctor's note must be submitted.

EVERY
SCHOOL DAY
COUNTS

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and products

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want to share in the
newsletter,
contact:
Toni Jackson.

STUDENTS
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Absences and Excuses

Pupils are required to attend regularly and punctually the school
in which they are enrolled. Recording of absences and tardies
shall be made in compliance with the requirements of 702 KAR
007:125.¹

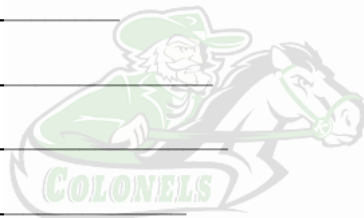
Parents: If your child is absent, please send a Parent
Excuse with them when they return to school. Thanks

Child's name: _____

Date of Absence: _____

Reason for Absence: _____

Your Signature: _____



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KYEDHH Educator Spotlight!

This month we honor Heath McClain, an amazing educator and strong supporter of KYEDHH! He will be missed by all!

Shannon Heath McClain was a “hippy” by nature, a lover of music, an amazing chef, and a dedicated teacher for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing community of students in Kentucky. Heath joined the Kentucky School for the Deaf family in 2007, as a middle school teacher and always commented that KSD was his “dream job”. He continued on with his career as a high school English teacher until this past May when he lost his battle with colon cancer at the age of 45.

As many people would say who knew him, Heath had “Deaf heart”. He loved KSD students and Staff by demonstrating his passion for teaching with a high respect for Deaf Culture, ASL and the Deaf Community. He worked diligently as a Cross Country coach, Student Body Government sponsor, Book Club sponsor, Monster Walk Parade leader, Academic Bowl team coach and served as a representative for KSD as the webpage master for KYEDHH. Heath worked countless hours to serve his students and demonstrated constant respect for them. Students in his classes knew that they were expected to succeed in class and in life. As one of his students wrote to him in an essay about gratitude, “I am thanking you for everything. You always supported and encourage(d) me, no matter what.”

During his teaching years, Heath fell in love with the English language and words. As he worked with his students by trying new writing strategies and bilingual teaching methods, he tried to convince those students that nouns, verbs and adjectives were exciting and worth their time to learn! It was evident in the students’ writing pieces that they were catching on to what he was preaching. One student wrote about Heath saying, “When I was struggling with English, you still help(ed) me and believe(ed) that I will be success(ful).” Students felt safe and confident with Heath as he instilled in them a “Deaf Can” attitude with every lesson he taught. Furthermore, Heath brought new life to technology at KSD and quickly became the “go-to man” for instructional Staff and their daily technology needs. He used the latest and newest websites, apps and devices as he quickly discovered that he could use technology to motivate his DHH students to learn and apply the English language. With his sense of humor, Heath would tease veteran teachers as being “Old School”, while he was New School in the world of teaching.

The field of DHH educators in our Commonwealth has truly lost an amazing teacher and genuine friend. Heath McClain was a kind spirit that continues to inspire us as we move forward with our lives. He will be sorely missed, but especially by the students who were blessed to call him their teacher. As one of his graduating seniors wrote in his final essay, “You did not give up on me. I am glad that you didn’t. You are a good role model. You taught me in right ways and to be a gentleman”. Heath WAS a gentleman, a loving father to his daughter, Kayleigh, a caring son to his mother, Pat, and a loyal friend to all.

KYEDHH has recently begun a new feature - KYEDHH Educator Spotlight. Members of KYEDHH have an opportunity to nominate an educator who has shown exemplary work with students who are deaf and hard of hearing.

This month KYEDHH pays homage to a fellow KYEDHH member and dear friend of the deaf education community Heath McClain who passed away this summer.

Please take a moment to read this moving article about Heath written by a few teachers from KSD. This article and future Educator Spotlight articles will also be regularly featured on *Kentucky Teacher*.

<http://www.kyedhh.org/#!current-spotlight/df9pm>

So proud of our wonderful Heath! An acknowledgement and praise very well worthy! -Ramona Karsner





talk to the hands

learning american sign language will open up a whole new world

Sign Language Class

Now that we are starting to get back into the swing of things on campus, it's time for us to start our Community Sign Language classes again!

Community Sign Language Classes 2016

Kentucky School for the Deaf
Kerr Hall

Monday, September 12th - November, 14
2016
6:30-8:30pm

Will meet every Monday for 9 weeks

Classes offered

ASL Beginner 1

ASL Beginner 2

ASL Beginner 3

Classes are subject to cancellation pending a minimum of 15 students enrolled in each class.

Cost \$50.00

Contact Kate Clevenger for Pre-registration or any questions

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Issue I



Welcome Back to School

Tips to start the new school year off right!

The Classroom

The classroom itself can help or hinder the student's success in your class. Most students who are *deaf or hard of hearing depend on their vision to either speech-read the teacher or to watch an interpreter, so the physical aspects of the classroom become very important.

- Standing in front of a light source puts your face in a shadow, making it very difficult to speech-read you.
- Try to avoid speaking any time the student can't see your face, such as when you write on the board or walk around the room.
- When using an overhead projector, stand to the side of the projector so that it doesn't block your face.
- If a PA microphone is used in a large classroom, keep the microphone below the mouth to facilitate speechreading.
- Use visual aids whenever possible.
- When referring to items on the board, try to be specific about the word or phrase you're making reference to by pointing directly to it.

- When showing a videotape to the class, make sure it is captioned and that the television has a decoder. Make sure any videos you purchase are captioned. Videos may be 'open captioned' (always visible) or 'closed captioned' (visible only when a decoder reveals them).
- For small classrooms, arrange desks in a semicircle.
- If that is not possible, the deaf or hard of hearing student may want to sit in front and to the side to better see you, the interpreter, and the rest of the class.
- Be aware of noise level. Hard of hearing students, whether or not they are using an assistive listening device, may be very sensitive to environmental (background) sounds, which tend to 'mask' speech. Background noise should be kept to a minimum.
- Deaf or hard of hearing students may also have visual disabilities, thus each situation with each student may have different solutions.

From:
Pepnet.com



CLASSROOM TIPS FOR WORKING WITH DEAF AND HARD-OF-HEARING

Every child is an individual with his/her own strengths and limitations. This means it's important to not have a preconceived notion of a D/HH child's ability to function based on the degree of his/her hearing loss. Regardless of the type or severity of the hearing loss, a teacher can greatly improve a D/HH child's ability to function in the classroom by making minor changes in his/her teaching style.

This section is devoted to providing insights as well as discussing strategies for managing the classroom for mainstreamed students who have a hearing loss. Not every consideration highlighted below will apply to all D/HH students.

From handsandvoices.org



As you may have noticed we have a new logo for Kentucky School for the Deaf (KSD) Outreach this year. We also have a new director for KSD Outreach. Join us in welcoming our new director is Soraya Matthews.



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